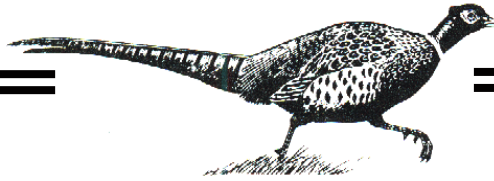




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Fall 2002 Success Lake Pheasant Hunt

The Department of Fish and Game through its Game Bird Heritage Program and the Southern Tulare County Sportsman Association are offering free public pheasant hunting near Springville. In cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 700 male ring-necked pheasants will be released randomly from November 9, 2002 (opening day of pheasant season) through December 7, 2002 on the wildlife area of Success Lake.

Please note, the area will be closed to hunting from December 9, 2002 through December 13, 2002. Scheduled field trials will be taking place during that time, sponsored by the Southern California Springer Spaniel Association. The area will open back up again to pheasant hunting on December 14, 2002 and for the remainder of the season (December 22, 2002). Providing hunter opportunity and access is a major goal of the Game Bird Heritage Program. These birds were purchased by the Game Bird Heritage Program through the purchase of an Upland Game Bird Stamp by hunters and raised from 8-week-old chicks by the Southern Tulare County Sportsman Association. There is no fee or permit required for sportsmen and sportswomen to hunt this area. All laws and regulations regarding the taking of pheasants are in effect. An Upland Game Bird Stamp is required for all hunters except junior license holders. **Please note that this area will be closed to all hunting until 8:00 a.m. during pheasant season.**

For additional information, contact the Department of Fish and Game, Game Bird Heritage Program, at (559) 243-4005, extension 132 or 133. The Game Bird Heritage Program and the Tulare County Sportsman Association are pleased to offer this special hunt to the public. Please be safe, courteous and enjoy your hunt.

*This and additional information can be found by visiting the Department's web page at
<http://www.dfg.ca.gov>.*

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